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Application of:

Applicant : Gopi M. Venkatesh et al.
Serial No. : 10/658,078
Filed : September 9, 2003
Title : EXTENDED RELEASE SYSTEMS FOR MACROLIDE ANTIBIOTICS
Docket : 451194-092
Examiner : Yong Soo Chong
Art Unit : 1617

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AMENDMENT AND RCE

This Amendment is filed in response to the final Office action and the Advisory Action mailed June 26, 2006. Applicants previously filed a Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time and enclose the applicable fee. Filed concurrently herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and the applicable fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claim are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.